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## Idaho State Judiciary E-News

*As the Third Branch of Government, we provide access to justice through the timely, fair, and impartial resolution of cases.*



### Richard Christensen named as 1st District Judge

Governor C.L. "Butch" Otter announced the appointment of St. Maries attorney Richard S. Christensen to a vacancy that will be created by the retirement of 1st District Judge John Luster on May 1.

[Click here](#) for full press release.

### New District Judge sought for Seventh Judicial District

>> The 2013 Legislature added a new District Judge position in the Seventh Judicial District. For more information on the new position which will begin on October 1, 2013, [click here](#).

### Scott Ronan elected to chair the Idaho Interstate Compact

This week Scott Ronan was unanimously elected as [State Council](#) Chair of the [Idaho Interstate Compact](#). In accepting the position, Scott reports that he is "honored for the recommendation from Senator Darrington and looks forward to the opportunity." Congratulations, Scott!

### Financial Office News

[Click here](#) for the March 2013 Budget Update.

[Click here](#) for a message from Department of Administration regarding the parking plan during construction of the new parking garage on the Capitol Mall.

### District Judges: HB648 implementation update available

Please [click here](#) for the HB648 Implementation Update.

### "News to Use" from IT Department

>> Is email too time consuming? Does email slow you down? Would you like to communicate with someone in this building 'instantly'? Well the wait is over!!! [Jabber is here](#).



>> How's this for a statistic: Every day, 92% of email sent to the Idaho Supreme Court is SPAM. That means since January 1<sup>st</sup> over 430,000 emails haven't made it to your Inbox because they were blocked by our SPAM detection systems. But every so often one or two may just squeak through and make it way to your inbox. Now you can help us block even more annoying emails from reaching your inbox. There is now a 'Report As Spam' button located on the top of your Outlook ribbon. When one of those pesky emails finds its way to you, put it in its place by clicking that button. [Click here to see how easy it is!](#)

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#### Links of Interest

News Clippings: [April 19, 2013](#)

Jur-E Bulletin [04-12-13](#)

NCSC Gavel to Gavel [04-05-13](#)

Fair Courts E-lert [04-10-13](#)

## Summary of ISC|COA Published Opinions

[March 22 thru April 5, 2013](#)

## Training & Education Corner

[Click here](#) for the Judicial Education website, including all upcoming & archived trainings for Judges, Clerks, and Court Reporters! [Click here](#) for Judicial Conferences or webinars.

## HR Links of Interest

>> [HR Recruitment Report](#)  
>> Health Matters: [Wellness News](#)  
>> [Click here](#) for Employee Handbook, salary affidavits, or travel vouchers.

## Court Committees agendas and minutes

Agenda

[April 18-19 Administrative Conference](#)

## Judicial & Administrative Calendar

[Calendar](#) as of 04-12-13

*NOTE: Due to security concerns, locations are not posted on the Website calendar.*

## Your Corner . . .

*Note: "Your Corner" pages are intended as an [archive](#) of articles of interest to a particular group. Once a story has been included in the E-News, it will then be "parked" in a group's page, as appropriate.*

[Judges](#) (last updated 03-09-12)  
[Elected/Deputy Clerks](#) (last updated 09-07-12)  
[Court Reporters](#) (last updated 11-09-12)



## IT & ISTARS Support

To better support your technical issues, you can now send an email to [helpdesk@idcourts.net](mailto:helpdesk@idcourts.net). Or you may call (208)334-3868.

## Veterans Court News

>> Article: [Boise Chief of Police speaks to court in support of Veteran](#)

>> Statistic: As of the last reporting month, there are 45 participants in Idaho's three Veterans Courts.

>> [Veterans Justice Brochure](#)

## Human Resources News

### Open Enrollment information announced

This year's medical, dental and FSA Open Enrollment will be conducted from April 29<sup>th</sup> through May 17<sup>th</sup>. Employees do not need to reenroll for medical or dental coverage, but if you want to change from one medical plan to another or add previously declined dependent dental coverage you can only do so during Open Enrollment. In addition, Open Enrollment also provides an opportunity for employees who did not enroll in the FSA when first eligible to do so and for those who are currently enrolled and want to continue participation to re-enroll for the coming plan year.

Remember, enrollment in the FSA is on a year by year basis and elections do not continue from one year to the next. Read the [Benefits Focus](#) Newsletter for more information. We have not received information regarding FY14 health insurance premiums, but will include it in the *Court E-News* as soon as it is received.

### Reminder

Please fax SALARY AFFIDAVITS, LEAVE REPORTS, and COURT REPORTER TIMESHEETS to the Human Resources fax at 208-947-7463. Thank you!

### Death & Taxes

Two sure events. Most of us have done our taxes, but only 35% of Idahoans have completed a [Living Will](#) or Advance Directive. Everyone should have a Living Will. **You** should have a Living Will. Want to know more?

[Idaho's Health Care Directive Registry](#)  
[Idaho Quality of Life Coalition](#)

**Upcoming Workshops:** Health Matters is co-sponsoring with Idaho Quality of Life Coalition a series of free worksite workshops for State Employees on Living Wills. The free workshops will occur in several major Idaho cities between June and November of 2013. Stay tuned for more info on dates, times, and locations.

## Archived E-News [SC/COA]

[Click here . . .](#)

## Problem-Solving Court Graduations & News

Bannock County Felony  
April 23 @ 5:30 p.m.  
Bannock County Courthouse, Rm. 303  
Pocatello

Ada County Juvenile  
April 30 @ 3:30 p.m.  
Denton Bldg. – 6300 Denton  
Boise

Benewah County Felony  
May 1 @ 4:00 p.m.  
Benewah County Courthouse  
St. Maries

Gem County Felony  
May 2 @ 3:30 p.m.  
Gem County Courthouse  
District Courtroom  
Emmett

Bonneville County Felony  
May 1 @ 4:00 p.m.  
Bonneville County Courthouse  
Idaho Falls

Bonneville County Misdemeanor  
May 2 @ 4:00 p.m.  
Bonneville County Courthouse  
Idaho Falls

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*To have graduations included in the Court  
E-News, email the information to  
[knelson@idcourts.net](mailto:knelson@idcourts.net)*

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